CITY OF EDGEWOOD COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES February 1, 2010 6:30 PM

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30 PM in the council chambers of the Edgewood City Building. The following council members were present: Joe Messmer, Dale Henson, Steve Jaeger, Ray Spears, Steve Middendorf and Chris Link. Also in attendance were City Attorney Frank Wichmann, City Administrator Roger Rolfes and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper. Jeff Schreiver was absent.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> – Mr. Jaeger has information from the Lou Noll Symposium to share with everyone; Mayor Link will have him report on it under his report. Mr. Henson added item #22 under New Business, Insight Phone Campaign. Mr. Middendorf stated there are concerned citizens present to make comments in regards to the JC Foltz property development and he would like to comment on it as well; Mayor Link said they can speak under Citizens Wishing to Be Recognized.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> – January 18, 2010 Meeting Minutes – Mr. Spears made a **motion** to adopt the January 18, 2010 meeting minutes as written; second by Mr. Middendorf. Mr. Link and Mr. Henson abstained. **Motion passed: 4 ayes – 2 abstentions.**

REPORT/PRESENTATIONS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link stated that there is a flyer in the mail to residents regarding water line coverage and residents wanted to know if the coverage is necessary. The coverage is not necessary. Mayor Link attended the KY Transportation conference last week. The acting Transportation Secretary is Mike Hancock. The Dudley/Dixie turn lane project will now be reviewed later this year. Steve Lampe has taken over for the Kentuckians for Better Transportation organization; he replaces Jack Fish. It was reported that the Transportation's road fund budget is down from \$800 million to \$400-500 million; they're hoping for another stimulus package. This year's Hall of Fame winner was General Charles Beach Jr.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes stated that a copy of a letter that was drafted to Mayor Miller was distributed to council to review; it's in regard to the Kentucky League of Cities' issues. KLC will be hosting a "We're Listening" session on February 22^{nd} from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the city of Florence. Council did not have any comments.

Lou Noll Symposium – Mr. Jaeger and Mr. Middendorf attended this seminar. Mr. Jaeger stated that the Northern KY Area Planning Commission (NKAPC) will be launching a GIS mapping service for Kenton and Campbell Counties; it will have a lot of community information on it. They toured the water plant in Taylor Mill and learned that the plant will be expanded to bring it up to EPA regulations by 2012. Mr. Middendorf stated that the GIS system will also allow entities to share scheduling maintenance for roads, etc. He further stated that in regards to the water plant expansion will come a requirement to comply with new scientific methods for cleaning the water which will probably mean an increase in rates in the future. They both found the seminar very informative. Mr. Rolfes stated that we'll be attending training at NKAPC for the road maintenance software.

Staff Reports – Council reviewed reports from the following staff members: City Administrator, City Clerk, Fire/EMS, General Services, Police, and Recreation.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA — Teresa Hauser, 77 Dudley Road, thanked the city officials for making the city what it is today. She inquired about the Board of Adjustment process in regards to an upcoming hearing. Mr. Rolfes stated that the Board is a group of residents appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council who hear various planning/zoning related items. They are the final say pending any appeals to the Circuit Court. At the hearing a staff person from NKAPC will give their report, then they will allow people to speak in favor and in opposition of the proposed item, the board will then close the public part of the meeting and have their discussion and then make a decision. Mr. Wichmann said if an appeal goes to circuit court then the court will look at what the Board of Adjustment did and make sure they followed the proper procedures regardless of what the Board's decision was. Mr. Wichmann said that city council has no influence at all in the board's matters. Ms. Hauser thanked them for the explanations. It was asked if the board

members view the area in question; they can but are not required to. Mr. Middendorf thanked the residents for attending the meeting and getting clarification on the Board of Adjustments procedures. Dave MacMillan, 61 Dudley, encouraged the council members to attend on behalf of the residents of old Edgewood. Ms. Hauser said it would mean a lot to the residents if council attended the meeting.

Garth Kuhnhein, 3084 Prestwicke, asked the city to withhold its support and not pay their dues for the Kentucky League of Cities due to recent events with the League.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> – **Budget** – Mr. Rolfes advised council that we'll be starting the budget process and asked council if they had any ideas, suggestions for the budget; there weren't any comments. He received the COLA rate from the State on Friday and it is 2.72% this year.

Request to approve Swan Florist invoice – Mr. Spears made a motion to approve the purchase of 10 poinsettias for the Home Decorating contest winners from Swan Floral and Gifts at the cost of \$125.99 because the item purchased is in the best interest of the public, and the city due to price and convenience; second by Mr. Messmer. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

Mr. Rolfes advised council that there was damage to a fire truck and two bids for repairs were received and Summit was the low bid and the insurance company has recommended that Summit do the repairs.

Insight phone campaign – Mr. Henson is the city's representative for the Telecommunications Board of N. KY which regulates the Insight cable franchise. A few weeks ago Insight did a phone campaign stating that the board was against them adding additional high definition (HD) channels for free to the cable line up. As they were making these calls to Edgewood citizens they were making the offer to patch them through to a cable board representative which they then forwarded the calls to his house. He said the board does not oppose additional HD channels on the cable lineup; they feel there are other things they could do to make it more efficient and make it a better system overall.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS - none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Youth Dance for 10-12 year olds will be held on February 12th, 7 9 p.m. at the Senior Center, cost is \$5 per person.
- Free roller skating for the first 200 Edgewood residents at Independence Skateway on February 14th, 6:30 8:30 p.m. Proof of residency is required.
- Snow tubing at Perfect North Slopes will be held on February 21st, 2-4 p.m., \$20 per person
- Senior Expo will be March 4th, 2-4 p.m. at the senior center.
- Municipal Government League meeting is Feb. 18th at NKU Bank of Kentucky Arena at 5:30 p.m. NKU Men's and Women's basketball games will follow the meeting; notify Jeanette by Feb. 16 if you'd like to attend.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Middendorf made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.; second by Mr. Henson. Motion passed: 6 ayes – 0 nays.

Attest: Wall

Jeanette Kemper, City Cler

Date passed:

Mayor John D. Link